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- 1. A layered low dielectric constant nanoporous material comprising:
 - a first layer juxtaposing a substrate;
 - a second layer that is nanoporous and juxtaposing the first layer; and an additional layer partially juxtaposing the second layer.
- 2. The material of claim 1, wherein the low dielectric constant material has a dielectric constant no more than 2.5.
- 3. (Amended) The material of claim 1, wherein the first layer substantially comprises a [continuous, non-porous polymer] <u>nanoporous material</u>.
- 4. (Amended) The material of claim [3] 8, wherein the polymer is organic.
- 5. The material of claim 4, wherein the polymer comprises polyarylene ether.
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- 8. (Amended) The material of claim [1] <u>3</u>, wherein the [first layer substantially] <u>nanoporous</u> <u>material</u> comprises a [nanoporous material] <u>polymer</u>.
- 9. Cancel.
- 10. The material of claim 1, wherein the second layer substantially comprises a nanoporous polymer.
- 11. The material of claim 10, wherein the polymer comprises at least one of a polyarylene ether or an adamantane-based compound.
- 12. The material of claim 1, wherein the additional layer comprises an organic compound.
- 13. The material of claim 12, wherein the organic compound substantially comprises at least one of a polyarylene ether or an adamantane-based compound.

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- 14. The material of claim 1, wherein the nanoporous material comprises voids having a mean diameter of less than 100 nanometers.
- 15. The material of claim 1, further comprising a layer of metal wire between the substrate and the first layer.
- 16. Cancel.
- 17. The material of claim 15, wherein the metal wire is aluminum or copper.
- (Added) The material of claim 3, wherein the nanoporous material comprises an 34. adamantane-based compound.